

**Families First in Numbers**  
**Updated Information from January 2006**

Current number of Assistance Groups: 70,601

Current number of adults: 53,918

Current number of children: 134,025

Assistance Groups prior to Families First (August 1996): 91,499

Current number of child only cases: 18,094

Closures in January:

Total closures: 4,126

Closures for 18 month time limits: 158

Closures for sanctions: 811

Work-related sanctions: 758

Other sanctions: 53

Closures for employment: 846

Time limit closures since Families First started: 12,813

Current number of Assistance Groups with a working adult: 11,890

Average monthly wage of employed participants: \$703.06

Average monthly cash benefit for participating families: \$168.36

Re-entry rate of Families First participants: 32.8% of cases that close re-enter the program (after an absence of more than two months) at some point during the next 55 months.

The number of families served by the program between 1996 and now exceeds 250,000.